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## **STATUS INQUIRY**

The above-identified application was filed on March 21, 2001, by entering the national phase. To date, we have not received a Notice of Missing Requirements or an official filing receipt from the USPTO. A copy of the date-stamped receipt card acknowledging the filing of the papers is enclosed.

In view of these circumstances, the undersigned attorney respectfully requests that he be advised of the status of this application as soon as possible in order to determine whether further action by the applicant is required at this time.

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Respectfully submitted,

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